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ENVELOPE PROTEINS CONTAINING

THE IG-BINDING DOMAIN OF

PROTEIN A

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 12, 2000, please consider the following amendment and remarks. Applicants are concurrently filing a petition for an extension of time and an information disclosure statement.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 5, lines 29-30, please replace "Serial No. 08/363,137, filed December 23,

1994" with – Patent No. 5,753,499 --.

On page 32, lines 2-3, please replace "12301 Parklawn Drive, Rockville, Maryland

20852" with -- 10801 University Boulevard, Manassas, VA 20110-2209 --.

On page 32, line 6 under Accession Number, please insert -- 98378 --

On page 32, line 7 under Accession Number, please insert -- 98377 ---.